

# HOUSE BILL No. 1264

## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 33-24-6-5.

**Synopsis:** Guardian ad litem and CASA funding. Provides that the division of state court administration will determine the number of children in need of services cases in each county to determine funding for guardian ad litem and court appointed special advocate programs.

**Effective:** July 1, 2007.

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January 11, 2007, read first time and referred to Committee on Family, Children and Human Affairs.

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First Regular Session 115th General Assembly (2007)

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Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning courts and court officers.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 33-24-6-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
2 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007]: Sec. 5. (a) If appropriated  
3 by the general assembly, the division of state court administration shall  
4 grant to each county with a guardian ad litem or court appointed special  
5 advocate program an annual appropriation calculated under the  
6 following formula:  
7 STEP ONE: Deduct the annual appropriation to the division of  
8 state court administration for administrative expenses.  
9 STEP TWO: Ascertain the number of children in need of services  
10 **cases** in each county, as determined by the ~~office of family and~~  
11 ~~children, division of state court administration from reports~~  
12 **filed under IC 33-24-6-3**, during the preceding ~~state fiscal~~  
13 **calendar** year.  
14 STEP THREE: Divide the result under STEP TWO by the total  
15 number of children in need of services **cases** in Indiana, as  
16 determined by the ~~office of family and children, division of state~~  
17 **court administration from reports filed under IC 33-24-6-3**,



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during the preceding ~~fiscal~~ **calendar** year.

STEP FOUR: Multiply the result under STEP THREE by the remaining state match appropriation.

(b) If, under subsection (a), a county's grant would result in a grant of two thousand dollars (\$2,000) or less, the county is entitled to receive a grant of two thousand dollars (\$2,000). After subtracting the state match appropriation distributed to these counties from the total remaining state appropriation, the division of state court administration shall distribute the remaining state appropriation under the following formula:

STEP ONE: Subtract the total number of children in need of services **cases** in the counties covered under subsection (a) from the total number of children in need of services **cases** in Indiana, as determined by the ~~office of family and children~~ **division of state court administration**, during the preceding ~~state fiscal~~ **calendar** year.

STEP TWO: Divide the number of children in need of services **cases** in each of the counties not covered under subsection (a) by the result under STEP ONE.

STEP THREE: Multiply the result under STEP TWO by the total remaining state match appropriation.

STEP FOUR: Distribute the result under STEP THREE to each county not covered under subsection (a).

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